

America's Cup World Series Host Committee

Marine Affairs Subcommittee

Public Session

April 9, 2012

A meeting of the America's Cup World Series Host Committee Marine Affairs Subcommittee was held on Monday, April 9, 2012, beginning 1:00 p.m. at Rhode Island Economic Development, 315 Iron Horse Way, Providence, RI.

The following subcommittee members were in attendance: Mr. Paul Harden (Exec. Director, ACWS RI Host Committee), Mr. Brad Read (Chair, ACWS RI Host Committee), Mr. Michael Keyworth (Chair), Dr. Robin Wallace (Co-Chair), Mr. Quentin Chafee, Mr. Jay Gowell, Mr. Geoff Grout, Mr. Bill Plumb, Mr. Anderson Reggio, Captain Paul Costabile,

The following staff members were in attendance: Ms. Sherri Carrera (RIEDC), Ms. Lori Bassett (RIEDC)

Others attending and their affiliations:

Mr. Steven Hall RI DEM Law Enforcement

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS

Mr. Keyworth called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m. Ms. Sherri Carrera was introduced; she is assisting Mr. Harden with various tasks regarding the America's Cup World Series (ACWS).

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 12, 2012

A motion was made to accept minutes of the March 12, 2012 meeting. Mr. Plum seconded this motion, all were in favor.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mr. Read gave updates on the staff lay-offs at the San Francisco ACWS office along with amended racing dates. The current schedule is as follows:

6/23/12 – 6/24/12: Unofficial practice days

6/27/12: Organized practice day

6/28/12 – 7/1/12: Race days

Mr. Edward Leblanc from the USCG has been informed of this change and will schedule accordingly. An amended marine permit application will be submitted.

More discussion followed regarding practice days and stake boats. Mr. Reggio stated that 6 stake boats are fully committed for race days; he would ideally like 8-10.

The number of teams was mentioned; eight teams, ten boats, but that number may change.

Mr. Keyworth has spoken with Mr. LeBlanc regarding the permit application. There was only one comment to date and it was favorable.

The timing of the "follow-me" boat was discussed. Captain Costabile believes this solution will work. Mr. Reed said that the safety zone needs to be flexible in cases of imminent need. He questioned the availability of ship itineraries. Mr. Read stated that we need to open dialogue with the tugs and barges and questioned how we should do this. Mr. Read, Mr. Harden and Mr. Keyworth will follow-up with the tugboat operators.

Mr. Harden mentioned the media breakfast being held on April 11, 2012. He also mentioned that the containers may be shipped via rail to the west coast.

Mr. Reggio stated that we're waiting on course drawings for the flyer. He's unsure of the timeframe of this project at this time.

The next Marine Affairs Subcommittee meeting will be April 30, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at RI Economic Development Corp.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 1:44 p.m. Mr. Plumb seconded the motion, all were in favor.